WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC

ORDER NO. 8865

IN THE MATTER OF:

Application of JANUARIUS J.)

ASONGU, for Temporary Authority)

-- Irregular Route Operations)

By application accepted for filing July 5, 2005, Januarius J. Asongu, a sole proprietor, seeks temporary authority to conduct irregular route operations in vehicles with a seating capacity of less than 16 persons only, including the driver. Applicant also has applied for a certificate of authority in Case No. AP-2005-095.

Applicant proposes commencing operations with two vans. Applicant's proposed tariff contains individual rates for wheelchair transportation.

Under Title II of the Compact, Article XI, Section 13(a), the Commission may grant temporary authority if there is an immediate need for service that is not available. Under Regulation No. 54-06(a) a temporary authority applicant must demonstrate fitness.

This proceeding is hereby initiated to determine whether applicant is fit and whether there is an immediate need for service that is not available.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED: that the deadline for filing protests, comments, applications for intervention, and requests for formal hearing, is August 31, 2005, and that copies must be served on applicant at 6475 New Hampshire Avenue, #504F, Hyattsville, MD 20783.

FOR THE COMMISSION:

William S. Morrow, Jr. Executive Director